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1. EARLY AFTERNOON UPI FROM ANKARA REPORTS ESENBEL SAID HAK AGREED TO SEND HARTMAN TO BRUSSELS TO "ACCELERATE" DELIVERY BY AMERICA'S EUROPEAN ALLIES OF SPARE PARTS TO TURKEY, MOVE APPARENTLY INTENDED TO COMPENSATE TURK ARMED FORCES FOR HALT IN U.S. ARMS SHIPMENTS. ESENBEL ALSO SAID HAK EXPRESSED HOPE CONGRESS WOULD REVERSE DECISION IN "SEVERAL WEEKS TIME". REST OF DISPATCH QUOTES HAK DEPARTURE STATEMENT.

2. LATE AFTERNOON UPI FROM TEL AVIV SAYS HAK HELPED ARRANGE FOR EARLY RESUMPTION OF TALKS BETWEEN GREEK AND TURKISH CYPRIOTS BEFORE RETURNING TO MESHUTTLE. SENIOR U.S. OFFICIAL ON THE PLANE SAID BOTH SIDES AGREED TO
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RESUME TALKS ON CYPRUS AND UN SECURITY COUNCIL WILL DECIDE

WHERE AND HOW THIS WILL BE DONE. SENIOR OFFICIAL ALSO BELIEVES FRAMEWORK COULD BE FOUND THAT COULD LEAD TO SOLUTION ONCE THE TWO NATIONS AGREED ON FORUM FOR THE TALKS. UPI SAYS UN GREEK CYPRIOT DELEGATION DENIES ANY SUCH AGREEMENT REACHED TO RESUME TALKS. KISSINGER RETURNED TO ISRAEL WHERE THERE IS REPORTED SPLIT IN CABINET OVER ISRAEL'S NEXT MOVE IN NEGOTIATIONS TO GET AGREEMENT WITH EGYPT ON FURTHER ISRAELI WITHDRAWAL EAST OF THE SUEZ. A SENIOR OFFICIAL ON THE PLANE SAID HE HAS NEVER SEEN ISRAEL MORE SERIOUS AND CONCERNED ABOUT ANY NEGOTIATIONS THAN THOSE CURRENTLY.

3. AP'S SCHWEID FROM JERUSALEM SAYS HAK RETURNED TO ISRAEL PREPARED TO SETTLE INTO LONG ROUND OF PEACE SHUTTLES. AMERICAN OFFICIALS SAID ISRAEL AND EGYPT WERE NOW CONSIDERING THE SAME GENERAL FRAMEWORK OF A SETTLEMENT BUT IT COULD FALL APART OVER ANY ONE OF MANY ISSUES. IN AN AIRPORT STATEMENT IN ANKARA, THE SECRETARY SAID "PROGRESS HAS BEEN MADE" TOWARD RESTARTING TALKS ON THE DIVIDED ISLAND OF CYPRUS. TURKISH FM ESENBEL SAID TALKS WILL BE REVIVED IN THE VERY NEAR FUTURE. AT UN HEAD-QUARTERS NEW YORK, DIPLOMATS SAID HAK HAD PROPOSED FORMULA FOR RESUMING NEGOTIATIONS UNDER AUSPICES OF UN SYG WALDHEIM. THE DIPLOMATS SAID THE PROPOSAL HAD BEEN ACCEPTED BY TURKEY BUT REJECTED BY GREECE. ESENBEL STRESSED, HOWEVER, THAT TURKEY REJECTED THE MEDIATION "OF THE REPRESENTATIVES OF OTHER COUNTRIES, FROM THE NONALIGNED BLOC OR FROM AMONG THE MEMBERS OF THE UN SECURITY COUNCIL."

4. LATIMES, P. 1 RESTON SAYS HAK INTERRUPTING ME SHUTTLE, FLEW TO ANKARA IN HOPES OF ACHIEVING DIPLOMATIC BREAK-THROUGH IN CYPRUS CRISIS. ON THE WAY THERE HAK TOLD REPORTERS HIS TALKS WITH RABIN AND CABINET OFFICERS HAD "ENCOUNTERED NO UNANTICIPATED PROBLEMS" THUS FAR. HAK ALSO SAID SEARCH FOR NEW DISENGAGEMENT AGREEMENT HAD REACHED POINT WHERE HE NO LONGER COULD SPEAK PUBLICLY ON DETAILS AND PROGRESS OF THE NEGOTIATIONS.

A SENIOR U.S. OFFICIAL SAID THE PURPOSE OF THE KISSINGER UNCLASSIFIED

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TALKS IN ANKARA WAS TWO-FOLD: TO FIND A NEW FORUM IN WHICH TURKEY AND GREECE CAN BEGIN TO NEGOTIATE, AND A NEW FRAMEWORK WHEREIN BOTH SIDES CAN DEAL WITH THE SUBSTANCE OF THE CYPRUS CRISIS.

RIGHT NOW, THE OFFICIAL SAID, NEITHER SIDE IS TALKING ABOUT THE SAME THING. HE SAID HE DID NOT EXPECT SPECTACULAR RESULTS TO COME FROM HIS MEETINGS IN ANKARA,

BUT HE BELIEVED THE U.S. MUST PUSH ITS DIPLOMATIC EFFORTS TO RESOLVE THE CYPRUS DISPUTE AS FAR AS POSSIBLE.

ANY EVENTUAL GREEK-TURKISH NEGOTIATIONS ON CYPRUS WILL HAVE TO INVOLVE MORE THAN JUST A "BARE-BONES AGENDA," THE OFFICIAL SAID.

A SENIOR AMERICAN OFFICIAL SAID KISSINGER INTENDS TO CONDUCT HIS DISCUSSIONS HERE CONCERNING CYPRUS AND THE ARMS ISSUE WITHOUT REGARD FOR CONGRESS. BUT IT APPEARED THAT KISSINGER'S RENEWED EFFORTS AT A BREAK-THROUGH IN THE CYPRUS CRISIS WERE LAUNCHED WITH ONE EYE ON THE POLITICAL MANEUVERING IN CONGRESS.

THE OFFICIAL SAID HE BELIEVED THE SENATE NOW HAD THE VOTES TO RESCIND THE TURKISH ARMS EMBARGO BUT THAT THE SITUATION IN THE HOUSE WAS LESS CERTAIN.

5. ABC NEWS -- NOTHING FROM KOPPEL -- REASONER REPORTS: ALONG WITH TODAY'S OUTBREAK OF VIOLENCE IN PORTUGAL AND THE CONTINUED FIGHTING IN INDOCHINA, THERE WAS ALSO PROSPECT FOR PEACE FOR ONE TROUBLESPOT, CYPRUS. THE TURKISH FM SAID AFTER MEETING WITH HAK IN ANKARA THAT TALKS BETWEEN TURKISH AND GREEK CYPRIOTS WILL BE RESUMED VERY SHORTLY. BUT AT UN HEADQUARTERS IN NEW YORK DIPLOMATS SAID THAT GREEK CYPRIOTS ARE STILL RELUCTANT TO RESUME NEGOTIATIONS ON THE CYPRUS ISSUE. HAK RETURNED TO ISRAEL TODAY AFTER ENDING HIS TALKS IN TURKEY. EGYPTIAN AND ISRAELI LEADERS ARE CONSIDERING PROPOSALS TO BRING ABOUT A FURTHER DISENGAGEMENT OF FORCES IN THE SINAI AND HAK WILL RESUME SHUTTLE BETWEEN THE TWO SIDES TO TRY TO GET AN AGREEMENT.

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6. NBC NEWS -- NOTHING FROM VALERIANI -- CHANCELLOR REPORTS: "HAK, SEEN HERE WITH THE TURKISH CHIEF OF STAFF, SAID TODAY IN ANKARA THAT THE GREEK AND TURKISH CYPRIOTS HAVE AGREED TO RESUME TALKS ON THE FUTURE OF CYPRUS SOON, BUT JUST HOW SOON WAS NOT DISCLOSED. THEN HAK FLEW BACK TO ISRAEL FOR ANOTHER GO AT TRYING TO ARRANGE ANOTHER WITHDRAWAL AGREEMENT BETWEEN ISRAEL AND EGYPT. BEFORE HAK RETURNED, ISRAELI PM RABIN HELD A MEETING OF THE ISRAELI CABINET TO DRAFT A RESPONSE TO THE EGYPTIAN PROPOSAL. THE JERUSALEM POST REPORTED A SPLIT BETWEEN RABIN AND DEFENSE MINISTER PERES OVER THE ISRAELI STANCE. NO DETAILS."

7. CBS NEWS -- NOTHING FROM KALB -- ROGER MUDD REPORTS: "HAK RETURNED TO JERUSALEM THIS EVENING TO RESUME HIS

PEACE SHUTTLE BETWEEN ISRAEL AND EGYPT. ISRAELI
LEADERS TONIGHT GAVE HIM THEIR TERMS FOR ANOTHER SINAI
DISENGAGEMENT AGREEMENT AND TOMORROW HE TAKES THOSE
CONDITIONS TO EGYPT. EARLIER HAK SAID HE HAD WON TURKEY'S
APPROVAL FOR RENEWED PEACE TALKS BETWEEN THE DIVIDED
GREEK AND TURKISH CYPRIOTS."

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